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Dear Phil,

As we discussed during our last meeting, training of the TCEQ and Trustee representatives in probabilistic risk assessment will be key to continuing progress on Patrick Bayou. It is our goal to submit the draft Risk Assessment Work Plan by the end of the year. Thus, providing this training becomes crucial to allow informed review of that document.

On behalf of the JDG, I would offer a suggestion. As you know, the approach was developed by EPA and implemented by Anchor at the Calcasieu site in LA. I suggest that a joint effort of EPA and Anchor be the basis for the training session. It appears that many of the questions are specifically related to "how you did it at Calcasieu" and "how does it apply here". I believe that the combined expertise of EPA and Anchor can best provide focused answers, without muddying up the waters with too much statistics or theory. We offer to facilitate a one-day short course, perhaps in conjunction with our September 23/24th meeting date. We can arrange for technical papers, catering, presentation materials, and will work closely with Jon and Phil beforehand to ensure we present a balanced and meaningful session.

Please think about this with your team, and if you like we can arrange a short call between us to discuss further.

Regards,

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